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In re Application of:

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For: METHOD AND DEVICES FOR

DEPOSITING SAMPLES ON AN ELECTRICALLY SHIELDED

SUBSTRATE

DECISION ON PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)

The petition to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(b) filed 29 January 2007 in the above-captioned application is hereby **GRANTED** as follows:

Applicants' statement that "the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional" satisfies the requirement of 37 CFR 1.137(b)(3).

Applicants have now submitted the small entity basic national fee, and the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) have been satisfied. Therefore, the request to revive the application is granted as to the United States of America.

This application is being referred to the National Stage Processing Branch of the Office of PCT Operations for further processing in accordance with this decision, including the mailing of a Notification Of Missing Requirements (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) requiring submission of an oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497 and the surcharge for filing the oath or declaration after than thirty months after the priority date.

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